



Astronotus ocellatus

Oscar

General

1. Freshwater fish growing to 40cm

Geography and Habitat

1. Native: South America: Orinoco and Amazon basins; French Guiana, northern Paraguay drainage, Parana basin
2. Introduced: Freshwater drainages of Atlantic states, Texas, Ohio
3. Habitats:
 - Lower thermal limit is 12°C



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<http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=436>

Means of Introduction

1. Intentional stockings from an aquarium fish farm in southern Florida

Sources

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